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DEDICATION

This directory is dedicated to the many unsung heroes and heroines in the Commonwealth, the individuals who for many years have championed recycling through their creativity, ingenuity and plain hard work. Their recognition of recycling's vital role in preserving a livable environment and sustainable society is an inspiration to us all.

INTRODUCTION

This directory presents an updated listing of community recycling programs operating in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts as of Spring, 1986. The purpose of this directory is fourfold:

- to provide citizens interested in a low - waste lifestyle with information on the recycling services available to them;

- to provide the opportunity for recycling program operators across the state to exchange information on the various ingredients of successful recycling programs and perhaps discover ways to work together to tackle some of the obstacles to recycling's expansion;

- to inspire more active involvement by citizens in a problem we all help create, that is, more garbage and fewer places to put it; many town recycling programs need volunteers to help with staffing and publicity, and government decision - makers need citizen inputs on ways to resolve the solid waste crisis;

- to provide current information on the Commonwealth's "recycling base", that is, the foundation on which will be built the statewide recycling system now being developed by the Bureau of Solid Waste.

This is the first of two directories that the Bureau will publish. This one profiles town recycling programs. The next will present a survey of secondary materials markets utilized by the programs surveyed for this directory and/or potentially available to Massachusetts recycling programs.

The information in this directory was gathered by phone interviews and/or recent surveys by the Bureau of Solid Waste Disposal. The focus was mainly on residential waste recycling programs run by government entities, non-profit organizations, private contractors, or any combination of the three. While several non-profit office paper recovery programs were included, it was not within the scope of this directory to cover private sector recycling from commercial sources.

An effort was made to track down every town recycling program in the Commonwealth. Of 135 towns where recycling programs were reported or rumored, information is here presented on 90 town programs. We identified 27 towns whose recycling activities have ceased since the last survey in 1983. Another 18 towns are reported to have programs, but complete information on them was not available by press time.

It is possible that some recycling programs may have been overlooked, and the information on others may change owing to market shifts and other variables. The Bureau welcomes comments, additions and corrections to this document. These should be submitted to the Recycling Program Coordinator (see list of recycling contacts below).

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HOW TO USE THIS DIRECTORY

Each recycling program is listed alphabetically by the town or city in which it is located. Further entries identify materials accepted, location, hours, contact person, and so on. A short description profiles each program and, depending on information available, highlights noteworthy features which could be of assistance to other recycling programs.

PREPARING MATERIALS FOR RECYCLING

The success of every recycling program depends on its ability to market our discards as clean raw materials that can be used by industry. This makes citizen cooperation in correctly preparing and depositing recyclables very important. The few simple steps needed to do this can easily become part of the routine of doing the dishes and cleaning up the kitchen.

The requirements of different programs will vary, so it is best to call ahead and get specific directions for each material.

However, the following general rules and definitions usually apply:

Glass Containers - rinse out, remove all metal (lids and rings), sort by color (green, clear, brown); do not include window glass, pyrex, pottery or china, mirrors or light bulbs.

Newspaper - Most programs request newspaper bundled in brown paper bags or with string for easier handling; some programs will accept magazines, phone books, cardboard and brown bags with newspaper, while others can accept newspaper only, so call to be sure.

Corrugated - a few programs accept corrugated boxes and/or other types of cardboard (e.g., cereal boxes) as well as brown paper (kraft) bags; these should be flattened and bagged or bundled.

Tin Cans - almost no programs in the state collect tin-coated steel cans (e.g., soup cans); check with your program.

Aluminum Cans (UBC) - a few programs still collect aluminum cans which, if not flattened, can be redeemed through the deposit system; some programs also accept flattened cans; neither category can have tin cans mixed in.

Aluminum Scrap - some programs accept some kinds of aluminun scrap (siding, lawn chairs, etc.); check first.

Scrap Metal - this is a generic term used loosely by program operators to refer to a wide variety of metals; usually it means large ferrous (iron or steel) items such as car parts, hot water heaters, etc. It is best to check ahead which kinds of metals are accepted.

White Goods - some programs separately collect large enamel-surfaced appliances (washing machines, stoves, etc.); again it's best to call ahead for instructions.

Used Motor Oil - Many programs provide a storage tank for waste oil in order to keep this material from reaching groundwater supplies; transport the oil to the recycling station in a clean, tightly sealed plastic bottle and pour carefully into the designated containers.

Reusable Household Goods, Books, etc. - These categories are self-explanatory; the programs that accept them usually provide some kind of storage shelter and encourage active trading with the proviso that items be in working order or usable condition.

Town :	ACTON
Population:	17,544
Recycling Location:	Acton Landfill, on Route 2 between Hosmer Street & Piper Road
Hours:	Call for current information
Materials accepted:	Newspaper, clear glass, scrap metal, waste oil

Program Description:

The program has operated for 15 years. Currently it is a joint effort of the Acton Conservation Trust, a non-profit citizens group, and the town, which provides drop-off space at the landfill and a part-time laborer to monitor the site. Collection equipment and hauling are provided by receiving markets.

Contact Person:	Lawrence Weiderholt
Mailing Address:	Acton Conservation Trust P.O. Box 658 Acton, MA 01720
Phone:	617-576-3266

Town: ALFORD

Population: 394

Recycling Location: Varies (See below)

Materials Accepted: (See below)

Program Description:

Reportedly, recycling drives or a small drop-off are operated by the Boy Scouts. Call number below for more specifics.

Contact Person: Elmer Stein

Mailing Address: Public Works Department
Town Hall
RFD#3, Box A
Great Barrington, MA 01230

Phone: 413-528-4536

Town:	AMHERST
Population:	33,229
Recycling Location:	At landfill, 740 Belchertown Road
Hours:	Monday thru Saturday, 7:30 A.M. - 4:00 P.M.
Materials Accepted:	Newspaper, corrugated, green glass, clear glass, wood waste, waste oil, white goods, scrap metal, reusable household goods

Program Description:

An ad hoc recycling committee and the town public works department jointly run this drop-off program in a depot positioned outside the landfill check-point so that citizens reduce their disposal fees by recycling. The recycling depot is also open to non-residents. Materials are hauled to market by the town, with the exception of wood waste (suitable for lumber or firewood) and reusable household goods to which recycling patrons may help themselves.

Pending at town meeting are proposals for a newspaper curbside pick-up coupled with a source separation ordinance; a pilot drop-off program for apartment complexes; and a recycling public education program.

Contact Persons:	Stanley Ziomec
Mailing Address:	Public Works Dept. Town Hall Amherst, MA 01002
Phone:	413-253-3355

Town:	AMHERST/U. MASS RECYCLING
Population:	33,229
Recycle Location:	University of Massachussetts at Amherst Campus
Hours:	Drop-off open 7days/week, 24 hours/day Higrade collections as scheduled
Materials Accepted:	Computer printout, white ledger, colored ledger, tab cards, newspaper, green, clear and brown glass (color-sorted)

Program Description:

UMASS Recycling was started as a student project 15 years ago and later was formally established as a university department. It employs one fulltime staff person and several parttime work study students.

The program has 2 services: highgrade office paper collections from campus buildings, and a central drop-off depot for newspaper and glass. Altogether the program recovers 200-220 tons per year.

UMASS Recycling hopes to undertake education programs to inspire students to enter the recycling field. One program already in place allows students to earn course credits for organizing collections in dormitories. Also a workshop on campus office paper recycling programs is planned.

UMASS is integrating its longterm recycling plans with those of the town of Amherst.

Contact Person:	Mike Patavina
Mailing Address:	U. MASS Recycling Transit Garage Governors Drive Amherst, MA 01003
Phone:	413-545-0618

Town:	ANDOVER
Population:	26,370
Recycling Location:	Curbside and once per month drop-off (see program description)
Hours:	Curbside pick-up of news every other week on 5 day schedule; glass drop-off 1 Saturday per month
Materials accepted:	Newspaper, clear glass, green glass, aluminum cans

Program Description:

Andover's multi-service recycling program is jointly sponsored by Andover Recycling, Inc., a non-profit organization, and the town public works department. The town budgets $30,000 per year towards operating costs; this is a diversion credit based on an avoided tipping fee of $30 per ton and the program's recovery rate of at least 1,000 tons per year.

The main diversion is through a bi-weekly curbside pick-up for newspaper and magazines provided by a private contractor. In addition, Andover Recycling holds a once-per-month glass drive in a downtown lot, and a once yearly drive for aluminum cans. The participation rate is estimated at 33 percent.

Andover Recycling, Inc., relies on material sales to cover the balance of operating costs. The contract with Graham - Bernier, the curbside collection service, has recently gone to $60,000 per year, which could jeopardize the program's future unless better news prices are assured. In addition, ARI is seeking from the town a permanent drop-off location for glass, and a transfer location where one curbside truckload can be dropped and then picked up later for hauling. These measures will increase participation and volume.

Contact Persons:	Virginia Cole Andover Recycling, Inc.	John Lewis
Mailing Address:	268 Highland Road Andover, MA 01810	Public Works Dept. Town Hall Bartlet Street Andover, MA 01810
Phone:	617-475-5922	617-470-3800

Town:	BARNSTABLE
Population:	30,898
Recycling Location:	Landfill on Flint Street in Marston Mills
Hours:	Generally from 7:30 A.M. - 3:30 P.M., Monday thru Saturday (schedule varies with season - call for more information)
Materials Accepted:	Newspaper, scrap metal

Program Description:

The town highway department operates this drop-off space at the landfill. It is open to residents only. The operator hopes to revive the town recycling committee, increase the range of materials accepted and add composting of brush and yard waste, as well as provisions for household hazardous wastes. However, these steps hinge on publicity assistance and strengthened markets.

Contact Person:	Darrell Millard
Mailing Address:	Highway Department 382 Falmouth Road Hyannis, MA. 02601
Phone:	617-775-9226 or 428-9242

Town:	BEDFORD
Population:	12,568
Recycling Location:	At curb (see below)
Hours:	On the same day as trash pick-up, three weeks per month; newspaper is collected the 1st and 3rd full week of the month, glass the 2nd full week of the month
Materials Accepted:	Newspaper, clear glass, green glass, brown glass

Program Description:

Bedford has had curbside recycling collections for over 10 years. The program is a collaboration between the public works department, a private contractor, and a citizens committee. The town contracts for and monitors collection; the citizens group provides organizing and publicity; and a private concern, Bedford Recycling, Inc., collects and markets materials. The program has an estimated participation rate of 50 percent and recovers nearly 400 tons per year. Its annual operating budget is roughly equal to the town's avoided disposal costs.

The curbside contractor does collections in a small dump truck and keeps all revenues from material sales, an added incentive to boost participation. The contractor has expressed interest in extending curbside service to neighboring towns.

Contact Persons:	Don Marshall Recycling Committee	Robert Casserly Bedford Recycling, Inc
Mailing Address:	197 North Road Bedford, MA 01730	377 North Road Bedford, MA 01730
Phone:	617-259-9433	617-275-1628

Town:	BELCHERTOWN
Population:	8,339
Recycling Location:	Town landfill on Hamilton Street
Hours:	Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday, Sunday 8:00 A.M. - 3:45 P.M.
Materials Accepted:	Newspaper, scrap metal, and white goods

Program Description:

The selsctmen's office operates a drop-off at the town landfill for residents with a landfill sticker. The landfill has two attendants who divert the materials to the proper receiving areas. The revenue from the sale of recycled materials go to the local cub scouts. The town is extending their recycling effort.

Contact Person:	Gerry Whittock
Mailing Address:	Town Hall 2 Jabish Street Belchertown, MA 01007
Phone:	413-323-7251

Town: BELMONT

Population: 26,100

Recycling Location: At town's transfer station, 1150 Concord Avenue

Materials Accepted: Newspaper, clear glass, green glass, amber glass, tin cans, UBC, aluminum foil & food trays, scrap metal, non-ferrous metals

Program Description:

The town Highway Department operates this drop-off program in a large fenced area at the transfer station site. Public and government support for the program are very strong so that it is continued even though market earnings are not exactly "profitable". Town employees monitor the site and maintain equipment. They also haul all metals to market in town trucks, while newspaper and glass are picked up by markets. The program has operated for over 5 years.

Contact Person: James Castanino

Mailing Address: Highway Department
Town Hall
455 Concord Avenue
Belmont, MA 02178

Phone: 617-484-4071

Town:	BERLIN
Population:	2,215
Recycling Location:	Transfer station on Jones Road
Hours:	Call for information
Materials Accepted:	Scrap metal, waste oil, (Also see below)

Program Description:

Under Board of Health supervision, a small drop-off program is maintained for residents by the transfer station operator. The program formerly also collected newspaper and glass and citizen efforts are underway to resume this activity.

Contact Person:	Audrey Craver
Mailing Address:	147 Pleasant Street Berlin, MA 01503
Phone:	617-838-2446

Town: BOLTON

Population: 2,530

Recycling Location: Town landfill, Foxbush Mill Road

Hours: Wednesday & Friday 1 P.M.-4 P.M., Saturday 8 A.M.-4 P.M.

Materials Accepted: Scrap metal, waste oil

Program Description:

The town Board of Health oversees a small drop-off at the landfill. The attendant monitors incoming materials as they are delivered by residents so that 75 percent of scrap metal and used motor oil are diverted into the collection program. Marketing is done by " scrappers," i.e., private haulers who handle transportation in exchange for material sale proceeds. The town wants to resume newspaper collections if markets improve.

Contact Person: Clyde Wheeler

Mailing Address: Board of Health
P.O. Box E
Town Hall
663 Main Street
Bolton, MA 01740

Phone: 617-779-2297

City: BOSTON/EARTHWORM, Inc.

Population: 550,000

Recycling Location: (See below)

Materials Accepted: Computer print-out paper, white ledger, tab cards

Program Description:

Earthworm, Inc. is a small, non-profit, worker-owned collective offering office paper recovery services to private sector firms and government buildings in the Boston area. In return for donations of high grade paper, Earthworm sets up a collection system tailored to each participating company's needs. This includes employee education, lay-out and labeling of collection containers, and pick-up as needed. Participating firms are sent regular bulletins reporting the number of trees they've saved, tonnage of material recovered, and value of donated paper for tax deduction purposes. The group recovered 434 tons of high grade paper in 1985.

The proceeds from this service support its operation plus Earthworm's recycling education and support services. These include: a referral service for persons seeking the recycling center nearest to them; a market referral service to help recycling programs locate markets for their materials; and a recycling "dating service", that is, matching up people who don't have cars with ones who do so they can get a ride to deliver materials to a recycling center.

Earthworm also publishes Earthworm News, an excellent newsletter on recycling and waste reduction which is available free or for a contribution to cover postage. In addition, the group makes occasional small grants to recycling and environmental causes. They hope in the near future to expand their education and advocacy work in support of recycling programs in the Boston area.

Contact Persons: Jeffrey Coyne, Donna Cremans, Eileen Sylvan

Mailing Address: Earthworm, Inc.
186 Lincoln Street
Boston, MA 02111

Phone: 617-426-7344

Town: BOURNE

Population: 13,874

Recycling Location: Town disposal area, off of MacArthur Blvd.

Hours: Call for information

Materials Accepted: Green, amber and clear glass (color-sorted)
UBC, aluminum scrap, white goods

Program Description:

The town Highway Department manages this drop-off depot at the local landfill. Glass is stored in permanent concrete bunkers monitored by town employees. Though the disposal area has at least 16 years remaining capacity, Highway personnel strongly advocate recycling for landfill abatement and hope to expand the recycling operation, markets allowing.

Contact Person: Louis Pelagrini

Mailing Address: Highway Department
Box 290
Bourne, MA 02532

Phone: 617-759-3523

Town:	BOXFORD
Population:	5,374
Recycling Location:	Town landfill off of Sporford Street
Hours:	8 A.M. - 3:30 P.M. Friday thru Sunday
Materials Accepted:	Newspaper, white goods, heavy iron

Program Description:

This drop-off program, which is open to residents only, is operated by a private hauler under licensing from the town. This individual is in charge of all material handling, shipping and marketing. Glass collections were recently discontinued owing to weak markets.

Contact Person:	Mr. A. Noyes
Mailing Address:	212 Main Street Boxford, MA 01291
Phone:	617-887-5080

Town: BRAINTREE

Population: 36,337

Recycling Location: At landfill on Ivory Street across from MBTA station

Hours: 7 A.M. - 3 P.M. Monday thru Saturday

Materials Accepted: newspaper, clear glass, green glass, UBC, aluminum foil & food trays, scrap aluminum

Program Description:

A citizen Recycling Committee oversees this 9 year-old drop-off program at the town disposal area. The town formerly had newspaper curbside collection but, according to the committee spokesperson, this service did not get a chance to prove itself before its budget was cut under Proposition 2 1/2. However, new efforts are underway to expand recycling, as the town's landfill is about to close and tipping fees are expected to increase to $45-55 per ton. At town meeting funds were recently budgeted for 5 large recycling drives per year, in addition to the ongoing drop-off.

While glass collections will continue, the Recycling Committee no longer has need of a custom-built glass crusher, which is for sale for the best offer. Interested parties should call the contact person listed below.

Contact Person: May Burke, Committee Chairman

Mailing Address: Recycling Committee
c/o Selectmen's Office
Town Hall
Braintree, MA 02184

Phone: 617-843-6682

Town:	BREWSTER
Population:	6,509
Recycling Location:	At town landfill on Punhill Road
Hours:	Call for information
Materials Accepted:	Newspaper, green glass, clear glass, UBC, scrap metal, white goods, aluminum scrap, waste oil, brush, some corrugated

Program Description:

The Public Works Department and Board of Health jointly operate this drop-off program for Brewster residents only. Costs for labor and operations are incorporated in the town's disposal budget. Bins and hauling are provided by receiving markets.

Despite reportedly weak markets, the program operators manage to move a wide range of materials, showing that markets are there if the effort is made to find them. Recovered brush is chipped and used on roadsides and other town projects.

The program's highly visible location in front of the landfill and aggressive marketing of many types of materials are held to contribute to its high participation rate, estimated at 85 percent of the population.

Contact Person:	Ken Howard
Mailing Address:	Public Works Department Box 908 1708 Main Street Brewster, MA 02631
Phone:	617-896-3212

Town:	BRIDGEWATER
Population:	17,202
Recycling Location:	At transfer station off of route 106 (part of McDonald Bros. landfill)
Hours:	Tuesday & Thursday 8 A.M. - 6 P.M., Saturday 8 A.M. - 5 P.M., Sunday 8 A.M.- 1 P.M.
Materials Accepted:	Scrap metal, waste oil

Program Description:

Under Board of Health supervision, the transfer station contractor operates this small drop-off program. Essentially, used motor oil is accepted from residents, while scrap metals are diverted from the materials sent on for disposal. Sales of scrap metals are variable depending on markets.

Contact Person:	Nancy Koska
Mailing Address:	Board of Health Academy Building Bridgewater, MA 02324
Phone:	617-697-6454

Town:	BROOKLINE
Population:	55,062
Recycling Location:	Town disposal area 815 Newton Street
Hours:	Monday thru Friday 7:30 A.M. - 3:30 P.M. Saturday 10:00 A.M. - Noon
Materials Accepted:	Newspaper

Program Description:

The town Public Works Department continues to maintain drop-off service for newspapers after a curbside collection was disbanded a year or two ago. The town is hopeful the latter might be resumed in conjunction with the regional recycling system planned by the state. The program currently recycles 155 tons of news per year.

Contact Person:	Tom DeMaio Town Hall 333 Washington Street Brookline, MA 02146
Phone:	617-232-9000 Ex. 265

Town:	CARLISLE
Population:	3,306
Recycling Location:	Transfer station on Lowel Street 3/4 mile from town center
Hours:	Tuesday & Thursday 10 A.M.- 7 P.M., Saturday 8 A.M. - 5 P.M.
Materials Accepted:	Newspaper, clear glass, green and brown glass (mixed), scrap metal

Program Description:

The Public Works Department runs this drop-off depot at the town transfer station. Now that solid waste is going via transfer/haul to the NESWC resource recovery project, there is greater emphasis on diverting materials, particularly scrap metals which are sold to a nearby junk yard. The town does shipping of metals, while their glass and newspaper markets provide bins and hauling for these materials.

Contact Person:	Roger Davis
Mailing Address:	Public Works Department P.O. Box 149 Carlisle, MA 01741
Phone:	671-369-6136

Town:	CHESTERFIELD
Population:	1,060
Recycling Location:	Transfer station off of Main Road
Hours:	Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, and half-day on Saturday
Materials Accepted:	Newspaper

Program Description:

The town operates a small newspaper drop-off at the transfer station for residents only. Contact the Public Works Department for more information.

Contact Person:	Winston Bancroft
Materials Accepted:	Town hall Main Road Chesterfield, MA 01012
Phone:	413-296-4771

Town: CHILMARK

(See MARTHA'S VINEYARD)

Town:	COHASSET
Population:	7,174
Recycling Location:	At town dump entrance on Cedar Street
Hours:	Call for information
Materials Accepted:	Newspaper, clear glass, green glass, UBC, returnable glass & pet bottles, scrap aluminum, white goods

Program Description:

This drop-off is a joint effort of the Board of Health. Cohasset Recycling Committee and Boy Scouts. The costs of part-time attendants, rented roll-off bins and materials hauling are covered by appropriations in the town budget. Earnings from Bottle Bill items go to the Boy Scouts while remaining revenues are returned to the town general fund. Although figures were not available for all materials, news and glass account for a diversion of 300 tons per year.

Contact Person:	Arthur Lehr, Jr., Recycling Chair
Mailing Address	c/o Board of Health Town Hall 200 N. Main Street Cohasset, MA 02025
Phone:	617-383-0388

Town:	CONCORD
Population:	17,500
Recycling Location:	Landfill on route 126 at route 2
Hours:	Tuesday, Thursday, & Friday 9 A.M.- 3 P.M. Wednesday 8 A.M. - 3 P.M., Saturday 8:30 A.M. - 4 P.M.
Materials Accepted:	Newspaper, clear glass, green glass, white goods, scrap metal, used motor oil; food scraps are also collected but not at the drop-off (see below)

Program Description:

The Concord Program is an excellent example of a well organized drop-off run by citizens with good cooperation and assistance from the town Public Works Department. It was founded 15 years ago by a non-profit organization called REUSIT, Inc., (Rescue the Environment and Us from being Smothered In Trash).

The site is located on town property in front of the landfill gate. It has a paved, drive-in loop road that allows residents and non-residents to enter and exit the recycling area without going into the landfill. Permanent bays for collection bins have also been constructed in the paved recycling area. Public Works provides snow removal and other maintenance of the site.

The Public Works Department handles shipping/marketing of white goods, motor oil and scrap metal. REUSIT manages the rest of the operation, does publicity, recommends waste management policy, and conducts planning studies for expansion of recycling. Recently, REUSIT developed and distributed a how-to manual encouraging home composting. They also hope to add a high grade paper recovery program.

The town also diverts food scraps from the waste stream by way of household collection by a private contractor. Meanwhile, trash (non-putrescible waste) is not picked up at curb, but must be delivered by residents to the landfill. The food scraps are delivered to a piggery in Nashua, New Hampshire to be used as feed.

The recycling program has an estimated participation rate of 20 percent and recovered 458 tons of materials in 1985. REUSIT believes they could substantially increase this level, but are not pushing it at present until markets become more stable.

Contact Person: Betty King, Treasurer
REUSIT, Inc.

Mailing Address: 170 Barretts Mill Road
Concord, MA 01742

Phone: 617-369-6878 (Barbara Mudd)

Town:	CONWAY
Population:	1,213
Recycling Location:	Transfer station on Quigley Hill Road
Hours:	Wednesday, Saturday, Sunday
Materials Accepted:	Newspaper, clear glass, green glass, scrap metal

Program Description:

The Public Works Department operates a small drop-off depot at the town transfer station. Call for further information.

Contact Person:	Charles Dacey
Mailing Address:	Public Works Department Town Hall Conway, MA 01341
Phone:	413-369-4650

Town: DARTMOUTH

Population: 23,966

Recycling Location: Town landfill on Russel Mills Road in South Dartmouth

Hours: Monday, Wednesday, Thursday & Saturday 7 A.M.- 3:15 P.M., Tuesday & Friday 7 A.M.- 4:15 P.M.

Materials Accepted: green glass, clear glass, brown glass

Program Description:

The Public Works Department operates a small drop-off for glass and hopes to resume newspaper collections shortly. In fact, they hope to increase recycling because (1) the current landfill has only 2 years capacity remaining, and (2) a planned regional landfill will have to serve a much larger population (125,000) and therefore be stretched to the maximum.

Contact Person: Manuel Branco

Mailing Address: 759 Russels Mills Road
Dartmouth, MA 02748

Phone: 617-999-0740

Town:	DENNIS
Population:	12,360
Recycling Location:	On Theophilus F. Smith Rd. off of route 134 in South Dennis
Hours:	In winter open daily, except Tuesday & Thursday 7:30 A.M. - 4 P.M., in the summer open 7 days a week 8:00 A.M. - 4:30 P.M.
Materials Accepted:	Newspaper, magazines, books, clear glass, green glass, scrap metal, motor oil, reusable household goods, scrap wood suitable for firewood

Program Description:

This is another of the longstanding, outstanding drop-off programs in the Commonwealth owing its success to a strong collaboration between citizens and town government. The program was launched in 1973 under the inspiration of the late Mary Hood Hagler, a staunch champion of the environment and historical uniqueness of Cape Cod.

The program is positioned on a permanent, landscaped site in front of the landfill, its visibility a reminder to recycle. The facility is also open to non-residents.

A wide range of materials is accepted. A special feature of the program, and the main attraction for many patrons, is the Magazine Exchange, a sheltered display area in which books and current magazines may be traded. This service has proved to be especially valued by many retirees living on the Cape as well as the school art department. Another shelter houses reusable goods for trading.

The program is a joint effort of the Highway Department and a seven member Recycling Commission of Citizens appointed by the Board of Selectmen. The former oversees day-to-day operations; the latter oversees policy and publicity. Special recycling events include seedling give-aways at the Spring Spectacular and an October Great Pumpkin Give-away.

The most recent figures available show the program diverting at least 8 percent of the town's solid waste stream with a 20 percent participation rate.

Contact Persons:	Judy Stoehr Recycling Commission Chair	Robert Crowell Highway Surveyor
Mailing Address:	P.O. Drawer S South Dennis, MA 02660	Highway Dept. 30 Access Road South Dennis, MA 02660
Phone:	617-394-5221	617-398-2331

Town:	DOVER
Population:	4,703
Recycling Location:	At landfill on Powisett Road
Hours:	Wednesday, Saturday & Sunday, 8 A.M. - 3:45 P.M.
Materials Accepted:	Newspaper, scrap metal

Program Description:

The Highway Department operates this small drop-off at the town landfill. This facility is scheduled to close in 1 year at which time the amount of materials diverted to recycling may increase.

Contact Person:	John Miely
Mailing Address:	Highway Department Town Hall 5 Springfield Avenue Dover, MA 02054
Phone:	617-785-0054

Town:	DUXBURY
Population:	11,807
Recycling Location:	Transfer station on Mayflower Street
Hours:	Wednesday thru Sunday, 8 A.M. - 4 P.M.
Materials Accepted:	Newspaper, green glass, clear glass, corrugated, scrap metal

Program Description:

This is a Highway Department-run drop-off facility at the town transfer station that accepts a good range of materials. Collection containers and hauling are provided by receiving markets.

Contact Person:	Gilbert Burns
Mailing Address:	Highway Department Town Hall 878 Tremont Street Duxbury, MA 02332
Phone:	617-934-6586 Ex. 31

Program: EARTHWORM, INC.

(See Boston)

Town: FALMOUTH

Population: 23,640

Recycling Location: Landfill on Thomas Landers Road

Hours: Call for information

Materials Accepted: Newspaper, clear glass, green glass, UBC, computer printout paper & tab cards, aluminum scrap, white goods, scrap metal, used motor oil

Program Description:

Launched in 1972, this is another strong drop-off program characterized by active citizen and town government collaboration. In this case, the Public Works Department works with a Recycling Committee of residents appointed by the Public Works Department and Board of Selectmen Moderator.

The history of this program is similar to that of many other drop-offs in the state. That is, owing to weak markets in the past year or two, the program has gone from a net profit position to break-even.

Nevertheless, the program has diverted significant tonnage from the town landfill, a cost savings not reflected in the operating balance sheet. Including scrap metal, recovery has averaged 1000 tons in each of the last 3 years. This has saved the town at least $18,000 on landfill operating costs, plus postponing higher hauling and tipping fees when Falmouth joins the SEMASS resource recovery project.

The Recycling Committee has operated satellite drop-off stations and also conducted a 10 week newspaper curbside collection pilot in which 70 percent participation was recorded. However these expansion efforts were put on hold until markets improve. The program is publicized through an annual mailing and a weekly column in the local paper. It is estimated that 15 percent of residents participate in the drop-off and 4 percent of the waste stream is diverted through recycling.

Contact Person: Christine Wooding

Mailing Address: Box 421
Woods Hole, MA 02543

Phone: 617-548-1400 Ex. 2722

Town: EDGARTOWN

(See Martha's Vineyard)

Town:	FRANKLIN
Population:	18,217
Recycling Location:	Transfer station on Beaver Street
Hours:	Wednesday & Sunday, 8:30 A.M. - 1:30 P.M. Saturday 8:30 A.M. - 2:30 P.M.
Materials Accepted:	Newspaper, clear glass

Program Description:

The transfer station contractor operates this drop-off service for town residents.

Contact Person:	Ed LeFrancois
Mailing Address:	Blackstone Valley Disposal Box 46 Mendon, MA
Phone:	617-528-8467

Town:	FOXBORO
Population:	14,148
Recycling Location:	Sanitary landfill on East Belcher Road
Hours:	Monday thru Friday, 7:30 A.M. - 3:00 P.M. plus last Saturday of each month
Materials Accepted:	Newspaper, used motor oil

Program Description:

This drop-off service for residents only is provided by the town Highway Department. Glass and scrap metal collections were recently discontinued due to lack of markets.

Contact Person:	Louis Truax 70 Elm Street Foxboro, MA 02035
Phone:	617-543-4848

Town:	GEORGETOWN
Population:	5,687
Recycling Location:	Transfer station on East Main Street behind Highway garage
Hours:	Tues & Thur. 9-12 &1-3; Sat.&Sun. 9-12
Materials Accepted:	clear glass, green glass, brown glass, newspaper, white goods

Program Description:

The transfer station contractor operates this drop-off as a "non-profit" service to residents. As long as he can maintain the program at no cost, i.e., have private truckers haul recyclables away in exchange for what they can make for selling the materials, he will continue the service. About 100 tons per year are diverted in this way.

Contact Person:	Greg Mello
Mailing Address:	Mello Disposal Corp. 7 Canterbury Dr. Georgetown, MA. 01833
Phone:	617-352-8581

Town: GAY HEAD

(See MARTHA'S VINEYARD)

Town:	HANCOCK
Population:	643
Recycling Location:	At town transfer station
Hours:	Tues & Sat. Only
Materials Accepted:	Newspaper

Program Description:

The Public Works Department provides a small drop-off service for newspaper only at the town transfer station. Call for more information.

Contact Person:	Andre Rambaud
Mailing Address:	Public Works Dept. Town Hall Hancock, MA. 01237
Phone:	413-738-5225

Town:	GRANVILLE
Population:	1,204
Recycling Location:	At town transfer station
Hours:	Monday thru Friday, Call for hours.
Materials Accepted:	Newspaper

Program Description:

A small drop-off for newspaper only is available at the town transfer station. Residents should call the contact shown below for more information.

Contact Person:	Edward A. Jensen, Jr.
Mailing Address:	Public Works Dept. Town Hall Route 57 Granville, MA. 01034
Phone:	413-357-8585

Town:	HARVARD	
Population:	12,170	
Recycling Location:	Transfer station at Highway Facility on Harvard Depot Rd.	
Hours:	Wed. & Sat., 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.	
Materials Accepted:	Newspaper, clear glass, green glass, scrap metal	

Program Desription:

This drop-off, positioned at the local transfer station, is operated by the town Highway Department. The service is for residents only.

Contact Person:	Richard Steward	Elizabeth Stone
Mailing Address:	Highway Dept. Depot Road Harvard, MA. 01451	Board of Selectmen P.O. Box 220 Harvard, MA. 01451
Phone:	617-456-3150	617-456-8200

Town: HANOVER

Population: 11,358

Recycling Location: Transfer station on route 139 & Rockland

Hours: Mon. thru Sat., 9 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Materials Accepted: Newspaper, used oil, scrap metal

Program Description:

The town Board of Health operates this drop-off depot at the local transfer station. They hope to resume glass collections if markets improve. The town hauls scrap metal (ferrous) to market, while newspaper and waste oil are picked up by receiving markets.

Contact Person: James Bovaird

Mailing Address: Board of Health
Town Hall
Hanover, MA 02339

Phone: 617-826-6132

Town: HOLBROOK

Population: 11, 140

Recyling Location: Town disposal facility

Hours: Call for information

Materials Accepted: Scrap metal only

Program Description:

At the town disposal facility the Public Works Department diverts scrap metals for recycling. Call for more specifics.

Contact Person: Thomas Cummings

Mailing Address: Town Hall
North Franklin Street
Holbrook, MA. 02343

Phone: 613-767-1800

Town:	HINGHAM
Population:	20,339
Recycling Location:	At town bale-fill on Sam Rider Road.
Hours:	Wed. thru Sunday, 7:30 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Materials Accepted:	Newspaper, clear glass, brown and green glass (mixed), non-ferrous scrap, brown bags, corrugated, magazines, phone books.

Program Description:

This drop-off at the town disposal facility is operated by the Highway Department. The baler used for compacting waste to go in the landfill could also be used to produce export bales of newspaper if markets permitted. Currently the baler has 2 days per week of unutilized capacity that could be tapped for this purpose.

The programs' newspaper market accepts brown paper (kraft) bags, phone books, cardboard and magazines mixed in with the news. Green and brown glass are also marketed mixed. Receiving markets provide shipping containers and hauling.

Contact Person:	Greg Russ
Mailing Address:	Highway Dept. 101 Hersey Rd. Hingham, MA. 02043
Phone:	617-740-1032

Town:	HUNTINGTON
Population:	1,804
Recycling Location:	At transfer station on Basket Street
Hours:	Open Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday & Sunday
Materials Accepted:	Newspaper

Program Description:

This is a small drop-off for newspaper only at the local transfer station.

Contact Person:	James Watkins
Mailing Address:	Public Works Department Town Hall Park Street Huntington, MA 01050
Phone:	413-667-3324

Town:	HUDSON
Population:	16,756
Recycling Location:	At town disposal site off of Old Stow Rd.
Hours:	Mon. thru Sat., 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Materials Accepted:	Scrap metals only

Program Description:

The town Board of Health maintains a separate metal pile (mixed metals) at the disposal facility. Periodically a salvager hauls the metals away for recycling.

Contact Person:	Frank Krysa
Mailing Address:	Town Hall Main Road Hudson, MA 01749
Phone:	617-562-7050

Town: LEXINGTON

Population: 29,479

Recycling Location: Old sanitary landfill on Hartwell Avenue

Hours: Open 24 hours, 7 days a week

Materials Accepted: Newspaper, used motor oil, scrap metal, white goods

Program Description:

This drop-off is run by the town Public Works Department in front of the landfill gate. A semi-trailer is provided for newspaper, a tank for used oil, and a storage area for white goods. Glass collection was discontinued as a result of weak markets. Figures were available for newspaper only, recovered at a rate of 120 tons per year.

Contact Person: Walter Tomaszuck

Mailing Address: 1625 Massachusetts Avenue
Lexington, MA 02173

Phone: 617-862-0500

Town: IPSWICH

Population: 11,519

Recycling Location: At town transfer station

Hours: Wednesday thru Sunday, 8 A.M - 4 P.M.

Materials Accepted: Scrap metal and white goods

Program Description:

At the local transfer station scrap metal and white goods are separated from other materials and marketed by a private contractor.

A composting pilot project cosponsored by the Bureau of Solid Waste is pending in Ipswich and may incorporate residential yard waste. Call the Bureau for more information.

Contact Person: Peter Gray
Town Hall
South Main Street
Ipswich, MA 01938

Phone: 617-356-4848

Contact Persons:
Addresses & Phones:

Joseph Cote
Public Works
Town Hall
Longmeadow, MA. 01106
413-567-1066

Ann Southworth
Selectman
Town Hall
Longmeadow, MA.
01106
413-567-5433

Ron Perkins
Waste Control Systems, Inc.
220 Lawton Street
Ludlow, MA. 01056
413-785-1774

Town:	LONGMEADOW
Population:	16,301
Recycling Location:	Drop-off for some materials on Pondside Road; curbside service also (see below)
Hours:	Drop-off Saturday mornings only, curbside alternate weeks
Materials Accepted:	Newspaper, mixed paper, corrugated, UBC, aluminum scrap, tin cans, scrap metal, white goods, yard waste (leaves, brush & stumps)

Program Description:

This can well be described as one of the "Cadillac" recycling programs in the Commonwealth. Starting as a drop-off 7 years ago, the program instituted curbside collection for paper (news, corrugated and mixed paper) under a mandatory source separation ordinance nearly 2 years ago. Curbside service is provided to residences and schools on alternate weeks (call for schedule) by a private contractor, Waste Control Systems, Inc., hired by the town. Waste Control Systems utilizes regular compactor trucks for paper pick-ups and also does separate trash collection for the town.

The source separation ordinance was implemented as a Board of Health regulation. Initially it needed some enforcement, however the town is now seeing 90 percent participation in the curbside service.

In addition, a drop-off station open on Saturday mornings accepts glass, scrap metal, white goods, and aluminum scrap. Tin cans are accepted also and sold with the scrap metal. At another location the town operates a yard waste depot where leaves, brush and stumps are converted to mulch for town projects. For info. on this service contact Russ Denver (413-567-5433).

A volunteer Recycling Commission conducts publicity with regular newspaper articles, a curbside brochure and a calendar distributed to each home.

This program is a good example of what can be accomplished through close collaboration between town government, citizens, and the private sectors. Strong organizing and good local markets helped make this possible. In the first year of curbside service, combined recycling activities diverted an estimated 20 percent of the solid waste stream.

Town: MARBLEHEAD

Population: 20,126

Recycling Location: Next to transfer station at Woodsen Terrace, off Beacon St. Also curbside service.

Hours: Call for information.

Materials Accepted: Newspaper, scrap metal, magazines.

Program Description:

This town was the site of one of the two well-known EPA-funded curbside pilots launched in the mid-1970's. Fortunately, when the federal funds ran out the town Health Department elected to continue the service, which is still provided weekly to all households for newspapers and magazines. Glass collections were discontinued two years ago due to weak markets, and the mandatory source separation ordinance supporting the program was modified accordingly.

The Health Department also maintains a drop-off program for newspaper, magazines and scrap metal. The two programs together recovered 875 tons in 1985, earned $4,410 in revenues, and saved the town an additional $17,362 in disposal fees. The program operators hope to revive glass collections and increase overall tonnages with the help of state-sponsored education assistance.

Contact Person: Wayne Attridge

Mailing Address: P.O. Box 98
Marblehead, MA 01945

Phone: 617-631-0212

Contact Persons:
Addresses & Phones:

Joseph Cote
Public Works
Town Hall
Longmeadow, MA. 01106
413-567-1066

Ann Southworth
Selectman
Town Hall
Longmeadow, MA.
01106
413-567-5433

Ron Perkins
Waste Control Systems, Inc.
220 Lawton Street
Ludlow, MA. 01056
413-785-1774

Town: MARLBORO

Population: 30,617

Recycling Location: Transfer station, 72 Boston Post Rd.

Hours: Monday through Saturday, Call for hours.

Materials Accepted: Scrap metal

Program Description:

The transfer station contractor diverts scrap metals for recycling. Call for more information.

Contact Person: Paul Sharon

Mailing Address: Public Works Department
City Hall
140 Main St.
Marlboro, MA 01752

Phone: 617-485-0392

Town:	MARION
Population:	3,932
Recycling Location:	Transfer station west of route 6
Hours:	Call for information
Materials Accepted:	Newspaper, clear and green glass

Program Description:

This town offers a small drop-off service at the transfer station. Call for more specifics.

Contact Person:	Bradford Eames
Mailing Address:	Town Hall 2 Spring St. Marion, MA 02738
Phone:	617-748-2500

Contact Person: Elizabeth Scaison

Mailing Address: Martha's Vineyard Disposal District
Box 2248
Oak Bluffs, MA 02557

Phone: 617-693-3479

REGION:	MARTHA'S VINEYARD Includes: Chilmark — Oak Bluffs Edgartown — Tisbury Gay Head — West Tisbury
Population:	9,312
Recycling Location:	Each of the 6 town landfills has a recycling "transfer station" at the entrance.
Hours:	All sites open 24 hours, 7 days per week
Materials accepted:	Newspaper, clear, green and amber glass (color-sorted), UBC, scrap aluminum, oil, reusable goods.

Program Description:

The 6 towns on Martha's Vineyard have formed a Disposal District and are launching the process of collaborative solid waste planning. All 6 towns support recycling, and the Disposal District maintains recycling "transfer stations" (drop-off depots) for them. Each depot consists of a storage shed for news and reusable items, drums for sorting/storing glass, and a chicken wire cage for UBC.

The recycling challenge for Disposal staff has been marketing materials from an island where all freight comes in and goes out by boat. This has involved ingenious back-haul arrangements with local steamship and barge companies.

Now creative attention is focusing on ways to either loop materials locally, that is, put them to use on the island, or keep them off the island in the first place, e.g., prohibiting plastic bottles. Already some newspaper is sold to a local dairy as animal bedding and plans are afoot to use less marketable green and brown glass as fill. District personnel are actively exploring other small-scale reuse industries that could showcase recycling and perhaps double as "museums". Some enterprises being considered are production of firelogs from corrugated paper and production of formed pulp products from news or mixed paper.

The District also offers a "purveyor" service by subscription to restaurants and bars. For a monthly fee these businesses receive 30 gal. drums and weekly pick-up of recyclable containers (glass bottles and aluminum cans). In addition, the District provides a waste oil inventory service wherby islanders are referred to separate locations (not at the transfer stations) to drop off used motor oil.

Town:	MEDWAY
Population:	8,447
Recycling Location:	Transfer station at old Broadstreet landfill
Hours:	Open 2 days per week, call for information.
Materials Accepted:	Newspaper, green glass, clear glass, corrugated, used oil, non-ferrous and ferrous scrap metal.

Program Description:

The drop-off is provided for citizens by C.B. Trucking, the contractor that operates the transfer station. While citizens are charged for trash, they are not charged for recyclables delivered to the site. The program diverts 468 tons per year from the town's waste stream.

Contact Person:	Michael Cassidy
Mailing Address:	C.B. Trucking 86 Holliston St. Medway, MA 02053
Phone:	617-533-4584

Town: MEDFIELD

Population: 10,220

Recycling Location: Landfill on North Meadows Rd. and Route 27

Hours: Call for information

Materials Accepted: Newspaper, scrap metal, waste oil, yard waste

Program Description:

The town Public Works Department operates this drop-off station at the landfill which is in the process of closing. It is anticipated that the switch to a more costly transfer/haul arrangement will prompt a substantial increase in recycling.

At present the depot accepts and markets used oil, newspaper and scrap metal. Yard waste is also accepted and being mixed with sewage sludge to cap the landfill.

Contact Person: Kenneth Feeney

Mailing Address: Box 315
459 Main St.
Medfield, MA 02052

Phone: 617-359-8505

Town: MILTON

Population: 26,114

Recycle Location: Town disposal facility

Hours: Call for information

Materials Accepted: Leaves and Wood waste

Program Description:

The town disposal site operators divert yard and wood wastes from other trash. Call for more information.

Contact Person: Paul Kantar

Mailing Address: Town Hall
Canton Ave.
Milton, MA 02186

Phone: 617-698-0100

Town:	MILLBURY
Population:	11,808
Recycle Location:	Town landfill on Riverlin St.
Hours:	8AM-3PM Sat. 8AM-4PM Sun., M, W, Th, F Closed Tue.
Materials Accepted:	Scrap metal, white goods, pallets

Program Description:

This recycling program is largely a salvaging operation run by landfill personnel under Board of Health supervision. Metal items and wooden pallets (skids) are set aside for private individuals who haul the materials away at their own expense. The haulers in turn privately market the materials by whatever means are available to them.

Contact Person:	Selectmen's Office
Mailing Address:	Town Hall 127 Elm St. Millbury, MA 01527
Phone:	617-865-4710

Town:	NEW MARLBOROUGH
Population:	1,160
Recycle Location:	Transfer station on Field Rd.
Hours:	Thu., Sat., Sun. Call for hours
Materials Accepted:	Newspaper

Program Description:

A small drop-off program for newspaper only is maintained at the town transfer station.

Contact Person:	Margaret Smith
Mailing Address:	Town Hall P.O. Box 64 Mill River, MA 01244
Phone:	413-229-8116

Town:	NEEDHAM
Population:	27,901
Recycle Location:	Landfill on Route 135
Hours:	Tuesday thru Saturday 7:30 A.M. - 4 P.M.
Materials Accepted:	Newspaper, clear glass, green glass, scrap metal, used oil

Program Description:

The town Highway Department operates this drop-off program at a paved area in front of the landfill. Containers are provided for recyclables and also for other refuse so that residents do not drive into the landfill at all and thus avoid flat tires and so on.

Contact Person:	Robert MacEwen
Mailing Address:	Town Hall Highland Ave. Needham, MA 02192
Phone:	617-444-5100

City:	NORTHAMPTON
Population:	29,286
Recycle Location:	125 Locust St.
Hours:	Sunday thru Friday 7 A.M. - 5 P.M. Saturday 7 A.M. - 4 P.M.
Materials Accepted:	Newspaper, clear glass, green glass, scrap metal, white goods

Program Description:

The city Department of Public Works operates a drop-off program called the Regional Recycling Center which is a large-scale, in-town operation at a separate location from the landfill. This is a budgeted city activity with provisions for staffing, equipment, and material hauling by the DPW or a private trucking company. Unfortunately, figures are not available on tonnages and landfill cost abatement.

Contact Person:	Paul Hadsel
Mailing Address:	Department of Public Works City Hall 210 Main St. Northampton, MA 01060
Phone:	413-586-6950

City: NEWTON

Population: 83,927

Recycling Location: Curbside pickup for newspaper. Also drop-off at landfill on Rumford Ave., West Newton.

Hours: Curbside weekly.
Drop-off open M-F 7:30AM-2:30PM
Sat. 8AM-noon

Materials Accepted: Newspaper, clear glass, green glass

Program Description:

The city Public Works Department operates weekly curbside collections for newspaper only, plus a drop-off depot for newspapers and glass containers. Newspaper recovery averaged 300 tons per month in 1985, making this one of the highest volume programs in the Commonwealth. Newton's program has strong public backing led by a Recycling Commission of citizens appointed by the Mayor.

Contact Persons: James Hickey
Nunzio Paselli

Mailing Address: City of Newton
Public Works Department
1000 Commonwealth Ave.
Newton, MA 02159

Phone: 617-552-7180

Town: NORTON

Population: 12,690

Recycling Location: Highway storage shed next to Town Hall on East Main Street.

Hours: Open 24 hours, 7 days a week

Materials Accepted: Newspaper, scrap aluminum, UBC, aluminum foil and trays

Program Description:

This is a town - sanctioned drop-off program administered by a sworn-in group of citizens called the Norton Recycling Committee. As such, it is staffed by volunteers, while any proceeds are returned to the town fund. The site is temporarily housed in an out-of-use storage shed which is accessible around the clock. Efforts have begun to identify a new location and markets that will allow collection of a broader range of materials. The program also needs more volunteers.

Contact Person: Jonathan Rowe

Mailing Address: 3 Knollwood
Norton, MA 02766

Phone: 617-222-8254 (Christina Denkel)

Town:	NORTHFIELD
Population:	2,386
Recycling Location:	Town transfer station
Hours:	Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Saturday
Materials Accepted:	Newspaper

Program Description:

Reportedly, a small drop-off service is maintained for newspaper at the transfer station. Call for more specifics.

Contact Person:	Steve Bachinski
Mailing Address:	Town Hall Main Street Northfield, MA 01360
Phone:	413-498-2093

Town:	ORLEANS
Population:	5,787
Recycling Location:	Landfill on Lots Hollow Road
Hours:	Daily, 7 A.M. - 5 P.M.
Materials Accepted:	Newspaper, corrugated, green, clear, and brown glass, (color - sorted), magazines, light iron, plastics

Program Description:

The fact that the town landfill is about to close is identified as the most "graphic" publicity for this drop-off program and the reason for strong public participation. A wide range of paper is accepted owing to a relationship with a market that accepts all grades. Also, the program has been separating and stockpiling many types of plastics in hopes of finding markets. The spectre of much higher disposal costs when the town begins transfer/haul to the SEMASS resource recovery project is prompting strong interest in increased recycling and state assistance to make this possible.

Contact Person:	Mary Wilcox
Mailing Address:	Selectmen's Office Town Hall School Road Orleans, MA 02653
Phone:	617-255-0900

Town: OAK BLUFFS

(See MARTHA'S VINEYARD)

Town:	PETERSHAM
Population:	1,024
Recycling Location:	Transfer station at old landfill off Route 122
Hours:	Saturdays only
Materials Accepted:	Newspaper, clear glass, scrap metal

Program Description:

The town maintains a small drop-off depot at the transfer station.

Contact Person:	Herbert Lamb
Mailing Address:	Public Works Department Town Hall Main Street Petersham, MA 01366

Town: OTIS

Population: 963

Recycling Location: Transfer station on West Center Road

Hours: Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday, Sunday

Materials Accepted: Newspaper

Program Description:

The town provides a small newspaper drop-off for residents only at the transfer station.

Contact Person: Thomas Simmons

Mailing Address: Public Works Department
Town Hall
Main Street
Otis, MA 01253

Phone: 413-269-4052

Town: PLYMPTON

Population: 1,225

Recycling Location: At town transfer station

Hours: Monday, Tuesday, Friday, Saturday

Materials Accepted: (See below)

Program Description:

Reportedly the town operates a small drop-off program. Call first to see which materials are accepted.

Contact Person: John Anderson

Mailing Address: Public Works Department
Town Hall
Palmer Road
Plympton, MA 02367

Phone: 617-585-3220

Town:	PLYMOUTH
Population:	35,913
Recycling Location:	Transfer station on South Street off Long Pond Road.
Hours:	Open 6 days a week
Materials Accepted:	Newspaper, clear glass, green glass

Program Description:

The town has a small drop-off depot for news and glass at the transfer station. Call for more specifics.

Contact Person:	John Homes
Mailing Address:	Public Works Town Hall 11 Lincoln Street Plymouth, MA 02360
Phone:	617-747-0931

Town:	ROWE
Population:	336
Recycle Location:	Town transfer station
Hours:	Call for information
Materials Accepted:	Newspaper

Program Description:

A small drop-off for news is provided at the transfer station.

Contact Person:	John Riggan
Mailing Address:	Town Hall Zoar Rd. Rowe, MA 01367
Phone:	413-339-5520

Town:	ROCKPORT
Population:	6,985
Recycling Location:	Upper Main Street (Route 127)
Hours:	Call for information
Materials Accepted:	Newspaper, clear glass, green glass, scrap metal, white goods

Program Description:

This drop-off service is a project of the Board of Health and Selectmen's Office. Though not "profitable", it is maintained because of strong public interest and has achieved an estimated diversion rate of 10-15 percent.

Contact Person:	George Robertson
Mailing Address:	Town Hall Broadway Rockport, MA 01966
Phone:	617-546-3525

Town: SANDWICH

Population: 11,158

Recycle Location: At town landfill

Hours: Call for information

Materials Accepted: Newspaper, UBC, returnable bottles, used oil, clothing

Program Description:

The town Highway Department oversees a small drop-off in which materials are saved to raise money for the Boy Scouts, Little League, and so on. A Salvation Army bin is also provided for clothing and other reusable items. There is also a scrap metal pile, but the material is not being marketed currently.

Contact Person: Pat Ellis

Mailing Address: Sandwich Highway Department
85 Route 130
Sandwich, MA 02563

Phone: 617-888-3488

Town:	RUSSELL
Population:	1,433
Recycle Location:	Town transfer station
Hours:	Tue., Wed., Sat. Call for hours
Materials Accepted:	(See below)

Program Description:

In a recent survey the town indicated drop-off service but did not specify which materials are accepted. Call for more information.

Contact Person:	Carol Burke
Mailing Address:	Town Hall Main St. Russell, MA 01071
Phone:	413-862-3265

Town:	SOUTHBOROUGH
Population:	6,412
Recycle Location:	Transfer station on Cordaville Rd.
Hours:	Call for information
Materials Accepted:	Newspaper, clear, green & brown glass, white goods

Program Description:

The town provides a drop-off depot at the transfer station. Phone for more information.

Contact Person:	John Boland
Mailing Address:	Highway Department Town Hall 17 Common St. Southborough, MA 01772
Phone:	617-485-1210

Town:	SHERBORN
Population:	4,049
Recycle Location:	Landfill at Route 127 on Sherborne-Natick line.
Hours:	Call for information
Materials Accepted:	Newspaper, green, clear and brown glass (color-sorted), used oil, white goods

Program Description:

Under the town contract with the disposal operator, a drop-off program is provided for residents and monitored by the Board of Health. Materials are stored in barrels until sufficient loads accumulate for hauling by private truckers. The landfill operator is very strong on recycling, calling himself a "recycling grouch". He is urging the town to beef up the program to offset substantial tipping fee increases expected in the near future when the town converts to a transfer/haul disposal system. In support of the planned program expansion, the town's citizen recycling committee has been remobilized.

Contact Person:	Hap Ruane
Mailing Address:	Ruane + Father, Inc. 56 Hollis St. Sherborne, MA 01770
Phone:	617-655-2387

Town: TISBURY

(See Martha's Vineyard)

Town:	STOCKBRIDGE
Population:	2,328
Recycle Location:	Town transfer station
Hours:	4 days per week, call for more information.
Materials Accepted:	Newspaper, scrap metal

Program Description:

The town provides a small newspaper drop-off plus scrap metal diversion at the local transfer station.

Contact Person:	Clinton E. Schneyer
Mailing Address:	Town Hall West Main St. Stockbridge, MA 02162
Phone:	413-298-4714

Program: UMASS RECYCLING

(See Amherst/UMASS)

Town:	TOPSFIELD
Population:	5,709
Recycle Location:	On Essex Co-op grounds off Route 1 across from fair grounds.
Hours:	Sat. only 9AM-1PM
Materials Accepted:	Newspaper, clear, green and brown glass (color-sorted), scrap aluminum.

Program Description:

The town operates a drop-off center at a separate location from the disposal area. Newspaper is marketed by a private contractor; other materials are marketed by the town Highway Department.

The town's new contract for trash collection (effective 7/1/86) excludes curbside pick-up for newspaper. The town is gearing up a strategy and possible ordinance to divert this material to recycling.

Contact Person:	William Gamble Town Hall Topsfield, MA 01983	Mr A. Noyes 212 Main St. Boxford, MA 01291 (private hauler)
Phone:	617-887-5042	617-887-5050

Town: WATERTOWN

Population: 34,384

Recycle Location: 166 Grove St.

Hours: Sat., Sun., Mon., 10AM-3PM

Materials Accepted: Newspaper, green glass, clear glass

Program Description:

This drop-off is operated by town government in collaboration with a volunteer recycling committee. It is housed inside the yard of the town's former incinerator. On weekends the committee attempts to have volunteers at the site to assist recyclers, however more volunteers are always needed. For the many Boston residents looking for a recycling center, this is the nearest facility to Boston and it does accept recyclables from non-Watertown residents. It would be fitting if more Bostonians returned the favor by helping to staff the site.

Contact Person: Dick Dickerson

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149 Main St.
Watertown, MA 02172

Phone: 617-924-3421

Town: WAKEFIELD

Population: 24,895

Recycling Location: Junior High School parking lot

Hours: Third Saturday of each month (call for hours)

Materials Accepted: Newspaper, computer printout paper, phone books, magazines

Program Description:

This is an impressive drop-off program run by an energetic volunteer organization called the Wakefield Recycling Committee. Lacking a permanent site, the group holds monthly paper drives at the Junior High School parking lot utilizing roll-off boxes provided by North Shore Recycled Fibers. All grades of paper are shipped mixed.

Each month a different co-sponsor group (Boy Scouts, church groups, etc.) provides volunteers to staff the drive in return for 80 percent of the proceeds. Recovery averages 44 tons per month - an impressive figure for one day per month of volunteer effort.

The recycling program is financially self-sustaining. Town government vigorously supports and promotes the program, but incurs no part of the expenses. The Recycling Committee would like to see market assistance or subsidies from the state to equalize earnings for the hard-working volunteers and thus stabilize the program.

Contact Person: Kristen Henshaw

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Wakefield, MA 01880

Phone: 617-246-2387

Town:	WELLESLEY
Population:	27,209
Recycling Location:	At Recycling and Disposal Facility (RDF) 169 Great Plain Avenue
Hours:	Monday thru Saturday, 7 A.M. - 4:45 P.M.
Materials Accepted:	Newspaper, clear, green and brown glass (color- sorted), UBC, (whole or flattened), aluminum foil & food trays, tin cans, scrap metal, corrugated, mixed paper (magazines, phone books), kraft paper bags, returnable plastic & glass soda bottles, tires, yard waste, ashes (from woodburning stoves & fireplaces), books, used oil, reusable goods, milk cartons, clothing

Program Description:

The Wellesley's program is another of the outstanding recycling programs in the Commonwealth. It wins the "prize" for the widest range of materials accepted and marketed, not to mention the best records documenting recycling's benefits to the town. Over its 15 year life, the program has recycled 23,463 tons and earned the town $1 million in materials revenues combined with disposal cost savings. In 1985 alone, the program recovered 2,441 tons, earned $72,663 on materials, and saved $73,691 in disposal fees.

Wellesleys' strong commitment to recycling as a major element of the waste management system stems from the fact that the town does not have a local landfill. Solid waste is shipped to Plainville at a total cost of $43.20 per ton (transfer/haul and tipping fees). In contrast, the recycling program's operating cost per ton is $16, or $27.20 per ton <u>less</u> than the standard disposal method.

The Wellesley operation consists of a highly visible line-up of 36 recycling stations all positioned in front of the final disposal area. Each station is a well-marked collection container for one of the materials named above.

Many recyclables are shipped by the town, or by back-haul directly to end-use industries. This, and baling of some materials, upgrades their market value. Wellesley has also developed outlets, or local uses, for a number of materials not collected elsewhere in the Commonwealth. The program accepts flattened aluminum cans as well as redeemable whole ones. It accepts fireplace and woodburning stove ashes, which are blended with yard waste to make compost that is supplied to the Park

Town:	WAYLAND
Population:	12,454
Recycle Location:	On Route 20
Hours:	Tue.-Sat. 9AM-4PM Sun. 9AM-1PM
Materials Accepted:	Newspaper, scrap metal, used oil, clothing

Program Description:

The town provides this drop-off service for residents only.

Contact Person:	Woodrow Miller
Mailing Address:	Town Hall 31 Cochituate Rd. Wayland, MA 01778
Phone:	617-358-7910

Town: WELLFLEET

Population: 2,209

Recycling Location: Landfill off of Colesneck Road

Hours: 7 days per week 8 A.M. - 4 P.M. (summer)
5 days per week 8 A.M. - 4 P.M. (winter)

Materials Accepted: Scrap metal, used motor oil, aluminum scrap, batteries

Program Description:

The Town Highway Department operates this drop-off service mainly to divert bulky or potentially hazardous materials from the landfill. The market situation for these items has shifted from earning money to having to pay to have them hauled away. Yet the operators consider this absolutely necessary because the landfill is nearly full and authorization has not been received for expansion. Meanwhile, the planned regional resource recovery facility (SEMASS) which would serve Wellfleet, is not due to be on line for several more years. This presents the town with a possible time span of no disposal capacity, thus reinforcing the need for recycling.

Contact Person: Irving Glahn

Mailing Address: Highway Department
Box 801
Wellfleet, MA 02667

Phone: 617-349-2621

Service and local nurseries. Reuseable furniture, appliances, clothing, etc., can be left at a "Take-It-Or-Leave-It" Station or with a Salvation Army depot. Another station is set aside for firewood. The program has marketed tin cans and milk cartons in the past and is currently stockpiling both categories of materials with the intent of finding new markets.

The Wellesley RDF has high citizen participation because three-fourths of town residents deliver their own wastes to the facility. A recent survey by a local college registered 80 percent participation. The program is extensively publicized through the schools, newspaper ads, posters, a speakers bureau, and involvement of colleges and businesses in the town. Also, a full-time attendant at the facility instructs patrons in keeping materials separated and depositing them at the right location.

Presently the town is pursuing the application process to have the RDF gain redemption center status in order to streamline the handling/marketing of returnable containers. This may pave the way for other community recycling centers to do the same. Likewise, the Wellesley staff can share valuable tips on how they've solved marketing and shipping problems faced by other town recycling programs.

Contact Persons: Pat Berdan, George Berry

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Town of Wellesley DPW
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Wellesley, MA 02181

Phone: 617-235-7600

Town: WEST TISBURY

(See MARTHA'S VINEYARD)

Town: WENHAM

Population: 3,897

Recycling Location: (See below)

Hours: (See below)

Materials Accepted: Newspaper

Program Description:

The Board of Health works with the Boy Scouts on several large newspaper drives per year. The town provides trucks and shipping; Boy Scouts provide the labor. The 75 tons per year recovered in this way are sold to a cellulose insulation manufacturer.

Contact Person: Herb Cheeseman

Mailing Address: c/o Town Hall
138 Main Street
Wenham, MA 01984

Phone: 617-468-2526

Town:	WESTON
Population:	11,169
Recycle Location:	Town diposal facility
Hours:	Call for information
Materials Accepted:	Newspaper, clear glass, scrap metal

Program Description:

This drop-off program was launched by a volunteer recycling committee then taken over by the town Highway Department with the committee continuing to provide publicity support. Materials are collected in 40 yard roll-off bins and hauled by receiving markets.

Contact Persons:	J. Ward Carter Town Hall Weston, MA 02193	Mabel Patterson 9 Skating Pond Rd. Weston, MA 02193
Phone:	617-893-7320	617-899-1643

Town:	WESTBOROUGH
Population:	13,619
Recycling Location:	At curb (food waste) drop-off at landfill on Hopkinton Road
Hours:	Monday thru Friday 8 A.M. - 5 P.M., Saturday 8 A.M. - 3 P.M.
Materrials Accepted:	Scrap metal, newspaper, corrugated, scrap aluminum

Program Description:

Westborough is another of the towns in the Commonwealth that still provides residential "garbage" collection, garbage here defined as food wastes kept separate from other trash in order to be used as pig-feed. The service is provided by a private contractor and strongly supported by local residents although the cost has risen substantially in recent years.

Citizens deliver the rest of their refuse to the town landfill and recycling drop-off station which are operated by a private company on contract with the town. The landfill operator is reported to have strong export marketing capabilities for recyclables.

The local landfill is expected to close in about 18 months, at which point the town hopes to have an expanded recycling operation and publicity campaign in place. They are looking to the state for help in this.

Contact Person:	Paul McNulty	James Harvey (landfill/drop-off contractor)
Mailing Address:	Board of Health Town Hall West Main Street Westborough, MA 01581	E.L. Harvey & Sons Sanitary Landfill Hopkinton Road Westborough, MA 01581
Phone:	617-366-7100	617-366-4123

Town:	WESTWOOD	
Population:	13,543	
Recycle Location:	60 Carby St.	
Hours:	24 hours, 7 days a week	
Materials Accepted:	Newspaper	

Program Description:

The drop-off is maintained by the League of Women Voters of Westwood.

Contact Person:	Ralph Phaneuf	Shirley Heywood
Mailing Address:	Highway Department Town Hall 1007 High Street Westwood, MA 02090	Public Works Town Hall 1007 High Street Westwood, MA 02090
Phone:	617-326-6450	617-326-9130

Town:	WESTPORT
Population:	13,763
Recycling Location:	Landfill on Hicksbridge Rd.
Hours:	Thursday - Monday, 8AM-3:45PM
Materials Accepted:	Newspaper, clear glass, green glass, scrap metal

Program Description:

This drop-off program is under joint supervision of the Board of Health and Highway Department. Glass collections are continuing although pickups by the buyer have become sporadic.

Contact Persons:	Russell Hart P.O. Box 95 820 Main Rd. Westport, MA 02790	Anne Barnes 241 Division Rd. Westport, MA 02790
Phone:	617-636-4331	617-636-4521

Town: WILBRAHAM

Population: 12,053

Hours: At disposal facility on Boston Road

Recycle Location: Tue.-Sat. 7:30AM-3PM

Materials Accepted: Newspaper, corrugated, clear, green and brown glass (color-sorted), scrap metal, white goods, yard waste, tires

Program Description:

The town Engineering Department provides and enthusiastically promotes an ambitious, highly visible, multi-material drop-off program at the landfill site. The program is supported by a source separation ordinance, but this is not enforced. On a voluntary basis, citizens are recycling an estimated 20 percent of the waste stream, or 780 tons per year.

Collection containers and hauling are provided by markets. The town calculates an $8,000 per year profit on the operation. Besides recovering the most common recyclables, the program has succeeded in diverting/selling all recappable tires, and turns over partially composted yard waste to a local nursery.

Contact Person: Bob Cafarelli

Mailing Address: Engineering Department
Town Hall
240 Springfield St.
Wilbraham, MA 01095

Phone: 413-596-8111 (Ex 210)

Town:	WHATELY
Population:	1,341
Recycle Location:	At town transfer station
Hours:	Wed., Thu., Sat.+ Sun.
Materials Accepted:	Call for more information

Program Description:

According to a recent survey, the town maintains a drop-off depot at the transfer station. The materials accepted were not identified. Phone for further information.

Contact Person:	Eugene Rup
Mailing Address:	Public Works Department Town Hall 108 Chestnut Plain Rd. Whately, MA. 01093
Phone:	413-665-3470

Town: WORCESTER

Population: 161,199

Recycle Location: see below

Hours: see below

Materials Accepted: White goods only

Program Description:

The city Public Works Department operates an on-call pickup service for large appliances (white goods) in order to divert them from the waste stream. The materials are collected on a flat-bed truck with a modified lift gate and are subsequently sold to a local broker. No other recyclables are collected at this time, although the Public Works staff would like to expand their recycling activity.

Contact Person: Dick Schnorf

Mailing Address: City Hall
455 Main St.
Worcester, MA 01608

Phone: 617-799-1000

Town:	WINCHESTER
Population:	21,000
Recycle Location:	Transfer station on Swanton Rd.
Hours:	Mon. 10AM-2PM Tue. noon-8PM Wed., Sat. 8AM-4PM
Materials Accepted:	Newspaper, green glass, clear glass, scrap metal, white goods, leaves, clothing

Program Description:

The town Public Works Department provides the drop-off station as a "service" to residents, i.e., the program satisfies public demand, but does not generate revenues. The leaves are composted for local use and the rest of the materials are marketed. Last year 929 tons were recovered, and participation is estimated at 60 percent. Volunteers are needed and welcomed. Interested persons should phone Evelyn at 617-721-7100.

Contact Person:	Andrew Connelly
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Phone:	617-721-7149

Town:	YARMOUTH
Population:	18,449
Recycle Location:	600 Forest Rd. South Yarmouth
Hours:	Daily 8AM-5:30PM (summer) Daily 8AM-4PM (winter)
Materials Accepted:	Newspaper, clear glass, scrap metal, UBC, aluminum foil and food trays, aluminum scrap, used motor oil, magazines and books, white goods

Program Description:

The town Sanitation Department, in conjunction with a citizen recycling committee, operates this drop-off service. The program diverted 1100 tons of materials last year and has an estimated participation rate of 20 percent. This is a strong showing for a voluntary drop-off in a situation where only half of the town population self-delivers trash (the rest hire private haulers).

The Yarmouth program provides a magazine and book exchange for residents on the model of the Dennis program. The town also hopes for DEQE approval on a composting program for leaves and brush, as well as other state assistance in expanding recycling prior to the town's entry into the SEMASS resource recovery project.

Contact Person:	Peter Homer
Mailing Address:	Sanitation Department 600 Forest Rd. South Yarmouth, MA 02664
Phone:	617-394-1284

Town:	WORTHINGTON
Population:	932
Recycle Location:	Transfer station on Huntington Rd.
Hours:	Tue., Wed., Thu. Call for hours
Materials Accepted:	Newspaper

Program Description:

A small, town-sponsored drop-off for newspaper only is offered at the transfer station.

Contact Person:	John Reagan
Mailing Address:	Public Works Department Town Hall Huntington Rd. Worthington, MA 01098
Phone:	413-238-5361